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Holiday Schedule for Memorial Day

Montgomery County government will observe the following holiday schedule for Memorial Day, Monday, May 27:

County Offices – closed;

Libraries - closed;

Department of Liquor Control - all stores open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.;

Recreation – Aquatics programs and facilities open. Recreation centers, senior centers and administrative offices are closed;

Montgomery Parks - visit www.MontgomeryParks.org;

Ride On – will run on a Sunday schedule. [Click on a route number](#) for the Sunday schedule;

Metrorail and Metrobus – Information available at www.wmata.com;

TRiPS Commuter Store (Silver Spring) – closed; **Mobile Store** - closed;

County-provided refuse/recycling pickup – No County-provided collection services will occur on this day. After the holiday, all County-provided recycling and trash collections will slide, and be one day later than normal with the last pickup on Saturday, June 1.;

Shady Grove Processing Facility and Transfer Station – Monday, May 27: Entire facility closed; Tuesday, May 28: Shady Grove entrance Scale House, main tipping floor, and the Annex at the Shady Grove Processing Facility and Transfer Station will be open extended hours from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. to handle the expected higher volume of waste following Memorial Day weekend. Route 355 entrance Public Unloading Facility, Upper Lot, and the Recycling Center will operate normal hours and open at 7 a.m.;

Parking at public garages, lots, curbside meters – free; and

State offices and courts – closed.



Montgomery's Fallen Heroes

On Memorial Day Weekend, Montgomery County proudly remembers and pays tribute to the County's service members who have died in service to our country. The names of the men and women of the County's fallen heroes, and four known Mission in Action, since World War I can be found on the Commission on Veterans Affairs website and clicking on [Fallen Heroes](#).



The County Council has passed the [FY 2020 Operating and Capital Budgets](#), endorsing 99.7% of County Executive Marc Elrich's operating budget proposal, and symbolizing the collaboration between the executive and legislature. Read the full statement [here](#).

See County Council's press release at

https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=23146&Dept=1



County Executive Marc Elrich and Councilmember Will Jawando will host a community forum on policing in Montgomery County. The objective is to engage County residents to share their experiences and concerns about current policies and actions and to identify future priorities they want to see for a [new police chief](#). Those in attendance will be invited to participate in a live, interactive survey.

Anyone who cannot attend is encouraged to provide their feedback via an online survey that will close at 9:00am on Monday, June 10.

- [Police Chief Timeline](#) **UPDATED**
- [Sign Up Online](#)

Montgomery County Permitting Services Department Celebrates Building Safety Month with Free Deck Inspections

The Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services (DPS) is providing free deck inspections for single family detached homes, townhomes and duplexes throughout the month of May as part of its celebration of Building Safety Month. Montgomery County celebrates Building Safety Month to raise awareness about building safety and to honor the County's code officials, educators and building professionals who are committed to keeping built communities safe.

It's not too late to schedule your deck inspection. Montgomery County residents, with the exception of City of Gaithersburg and City of Rockville residents (because the municipalities have their own permitting departments), should call 3-1-1 or 240-777-0311, between now and May 31, to schedule their free deck inspection. The inspections will include a [Deck Maintenance Checklist](#). All requests received during the month of May will be honored.

For more information about Building Safety Month, visit the International Code Council [website](#). For more information about DPS, visit its [website](#).

Public Input Wanted 4Business: Benchmarking to Be the Best for Business

Monday, June 10 7:00pm – 8:30pm
Kramer Upcounty Regional Services Center
12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown

County Executive Marc Elrich and Council Vice President Sidney Katz have embarked on a multi-pronged joint initiative: **4Business – Benchmarking to Be the Best for Business**. The objective is to engage the local business community in a grassroots campaign so the county can assist businesses to locate, grow and prosper in Montgomery County.

They are looking for input from stakeholders about what businesses need to succeed, and to hear their experiences in locating and growing their businesses in Montgomery County. The first phase of 4Business is focused on the regulatory climate, including codes, the permitting process, licensing, inspections, and other issues.

Sign language interpreter services will be provided only upon request with notice as far in advance as possible, but no less than 72 hours prior to the event. If these or other services or aids are needed to participate in this activity, call 240-777-6507, Maryland Relay 711 or email a request to Karen.falcon@montgomerycountymd.gov.

For those who can't attend the hearings, an email has been established to receive comments and feedback: 4Business@montgomerycountymd.gov.

Assembled comments and benchmarking results will help the County identify areas in which Montgomery County can reduce obstacles to success, build positive relations and help Montgomery County to be the best for business.

For more information, visit the 4Business [web page](#).

Summer Weekend Evening Hours Extended for Five Branches of Montgomery County Public Libraries

Montgomery County Public Libraries (MCPL) extends weekend evening hours for the summer at five branches: [Connie Morella \(Bethesda\)](#), [Gaithersburg](#), [Germantown](#), [Rockville Memorial](#), and [Silver Spring](#) beginning Friday, May 31. These branches will be open from 10:00am to 9:00pm on Fridays and Saturdays during the summer. The extended weekend hours run through August 24. The extended weekend hours began in 2016 at the Rockville Memorial Library. County Council added funding to expand the extended summer weekend hours to four additional branches. More information about all MCPL branches is available on the [MCPL website](#).

24th Annual 'Taste of Wheaton' Festival
Sunday, June 2 11:00am – 5:00pm
County Parking Lot #17 at Price Avenue & Fern Street
(one block east of Wheaton Metro Station)

A Free Event Featuring Food from a Wide Array of Local Restaurants, Family Activities, Beer and Wine Garden and a Full Day of Entertainment

The 24th Annual Taste of Wheaton will make available samples from the diverse restaurants in Downtown Wheaton and provide a full day of family and children's activities, exhibitors, a beer and wine garden and entertainment including four bands.

Detailed information about the event is available at <https://www.wheatonmd.org/events/item/taste-of-wheaton>.

Vital Records' Birth Certificate Section Closed Temporarily; Residents Urged to Visit Other Offices Around Maryland

The County's birth certificate services will be closed temporarily and residents seeking birth certificates are urged to visit Vital Records' offices in neighboring counties such as Frederick, Howard and Prince George's.

Birth certificates for individuals born in Maryland are also available online at www.vsa.maryland.gov. Individuals born in Maryland can visit any local health department to obtain a birth certificate. Office locations in other communities include neighboring counties. Check individual websites to confirm office hours and cost of birth certificates.

Frederick County Health Department
350 Montevue Lane (Entrance A)
Frederick, MD 21703
301-600-1029
<http://health.frederickcountymd.gov/187/Birth-Certificates>

Howard County Health Department
8930 Stanford Boulevard
Columbia, MD 21045
410-313-6300
<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/Departments/Health/Birth-Certificates>

Prince George's County Health Department
425 Brightseat Road, Suite 101E
Hyattsville, MD 20785
301-324-2940
<https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/1851/Birth-Certificates>

Call Maryland's Division of Vital Statistics at 410-764-3160 for additional information.

Councilmember Craig Rice announces 2019 Councilmember for a Day challenge for students.

Deadline for entries is 5:00pm on June 14

Contest seeks to empower young people to become more involved with public policy and government

In March Councilmember Rice announced the start of his fourth annual Councilmember for a Day challenge in which the winner will be the guest of honor at a Council breakfast, receive a Council proclamation, participate in a full Council meeting and receive a top prize of \$500. In addition to shadowing Councilmember Rice for the day, the winning student will have lunch with the councilmember and his staff.

The 2018 Councilmember for a Day winner Chloe Appel from Magruder High School had an enriching day at the Council. Watch her experience at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pGPvzDSdRPU&feature=youtu.be>.

The Council has created an on-line form for all contest submissions. The form can be accessed at: <https://tinyurl.com/cm4aday2019>.

For further information or questions about the challenge, contact Sonya Healy at sonya.healy@montgomerycountymd.gov or at 240-777-7926.

Congratulations!



Hassan Dixon Named Volunteer of the Year at the 33rd Annual Dr. Nancy Dworkin Outstanding Services to Youth Awards

A Germantown resident and current member of the Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board, Hassan Dixon adds to his days in commercial real estate, by volunteering at several schools in the area and with Special Olympics. He has spent 12+ years giving countless hours of his time and talents in helping children see their potential. Good work!

For more News from the Office of the County Executive, visit: <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/news>

For other news and meeting agendas, visit:

County Council <https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council>

Planning Board http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/departments/news_releases

Also check out the latest from:

Department of Public Libraries <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library>

Department of Recreation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/rec>

Department of Transportation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html>

Department of Environmental Protection <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dep>

Department of Permitting Services <https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dps>

Montgomery County Volunteer Center <http://www.montgomeryserves.org>

Office of Community Partnerships <https://montgomerycountymd.gov/partnerships>

Commission for Women <https://montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw>

Parks Department <http://www.montgomeryparks.org/>

Planning Department <http://montgomeryplanning.org/>

Department of Health and Human Services www.montgomerycountymd.gov/hhs